

Month/week	Wholesale price index (Base: 1981-82=100) end of each week		Annual Rate of Inflation at the of 1991
	1990	1991	
July			
I	178.8	201.0	12.4
II	179.2	201.8	12.6
III	179.5	202.6	12.9
IV	179.8	205.8	14.5
August			
I	180.2	207.2	15.0
II	180.2	208.4	15.6
III	180.2	209.6	16.3
IV	180.3	210.4	16.7
V	180.7	210.3	16.4
September			
I	180.7	209.0	15.7
II	180.8	209.2	15.7
III	180.8	208.9	15.5
IV	181.2	208.6	15.1
October			
I	182.1	208.5	14.5
II	182.3	208.6	14.4
III	184.3	209.1	13.5
IV	184.6	209.2	13.3

[English]

Silk Production in Orissa

334. SHRI GOPINATH GAJAPATHI:
Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to
state:

(a) whether there is a great scope to
increase silk production in Orissa;

(b) if so, the steps taken by the Govern-
ment in this regard so far;

(c) the details of schemes presently
being implemented to increase silk produc-
tion in that State;

(d) whether any new schemes have
been submitted by the Government of Orissa
to the Union Government in this regard; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and assistance extended or proposed to be extended by the Union Government to the State to increase silk productions?

MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (ASHOK GEHLOT): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). A statement is attached.

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE

(d) Does not arise.

STATEMENT

In order to supplement the efforts of the State Govt. of Orissa the Central Silk Board has created the following infrastructure for development of sericulture in the state:-

Normal Plan	Under National Sericulture Project (NSP)
1. Regional Sericulture Research Station, Koraput (Mulberry)	1. P2 Farm, at Koraput
2. Regional Tasar Research Station Barinada (Tasar)	2. Cocoon Market Koraput
3. Basic Seed Multiplication & Training Centres 5 Nos. One each at Sundergarh, Nowrangpur, Pallahara, Baripade and Lahuni para	3. Technical Service Station 8 Nos.
4. Raw Material Bank Sub-Depot at Rourkela	4. Chawkie Rearing Centres
5. Regional Development Office at Bhubaneswar	5. Silkworm Seed Production Centre 2 Nos. one each at Ramgiri & Koraput
6. Research Extension Centre Kuchinda (Mulberry)	6. Drying Chambers
7. Research Extension Centre Bangriposi (Tasar)	7. Farmers Training School at Koraput

In addition to their normal programmes for encouraging the development of sericulture in various States (including Orissa), the Central Silk Board is implementing the following specific sericulture development projects in Orissa.

intensive sericulture development project in Ganjam district of Orissa since 1986-87 at a total cost of Rs. 4.27 crores.

2. Follow up Phase of Interstate Tasar Project

[English]

1. Intensive Sericulture Development Project

Central Silk Board is implementing

Encouraged by the success of Inter State Tasar Project implemented by Central Silk Board with assistance from Swiss Development Cooperation (SDC), between 1981-82 & 1985-86 which helped the State to develop Tasar block plantation over 2499 hectares. A follow up phase of Inter State

Tasar Project was implemented in Orissa over a period of 4 years between 1986-87 & 1989-90 at an outlay of Rs.451.00 lakh. A second follow up phase of Inter State Tasar Project is being implemented for 3 years from 1990-91 to 1992-93 at an outlay of Rs. 408.96 lakh of which the Swiss Development Cooperation contribution will be Rs. 186.22 lakh.

3. National Sericulture Project

A world Bank & Swiss Development Cooperation aided National Sericulture Project for mulberry is being implemented by Central Silk Board in Koraput district of Orissa since 1989-90. The project envisages beginning an additional area of 4000 acres under mulberry for the production of 12 MT of raw silk in 5 years project period. Basic sericulture infrastructures comprising P2 Farm (1 No.), Grainage (2 No.), Technical Service Centre (8 Nos.), Training School (1 No.), Drying Chambers (4 Nos.), Demonstration cum Training Centre (1 No.), Cocoon Market (1 No.) and Chawkie Rearing Centres (40 Nos.) are being created at a total cost of Rs. 414.13 lakhs.

Dearness allowance to Central Government Employees

335. SHRIGOPINATHGAJAPATHI:
SHRI C.P. MUDALAGIRI-
YAPPA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Government employees drawing basic pay above Rs. 3500/- have not been given the instalment of Dearness Allowance which became due to them with effect from July 1, 1991;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) when it is likely to be released to these employees?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI SHANTARAM POTDUKHE): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). The matter is still under examination.

Lifting of ban on Silk Powerlooms in Karnataka

336. SHRI M.V. CHANDRASEKHARA MURTHY:
SHRI V. SREENIVASA PRASAD:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government have received any request from Govt. of Karnataka to permit it to go in for more silk powerlooms by relaxing the ban to avoid a situation of sudden lack of demand of the famous Karnataka raw silk;

(b) if so, the reaction of the Union Government thereto;

(c) whether the production of the silk in Karnataka will increase substantially by lifting the ban on more silk powerlooms; and

(d) if so, the details thereto ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (ASHOK GEHLOT): (a) to (d). No, Sir, However, keeping in the view the anticipated raw silk availability in the country and the requirements of silk handloom sector/existing silk power looms, the Govt. is not inclined to encourage more silk powerlooms.